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SUBJECT: CIVAIR: CHARTER UNDERSTANDING

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- 1. EMB OFF DISCUSSED CHARTER UNDERSTANDING WITH MINISTER FISCHER IN FOREIGN OFFICE YESTERDAY. HE CON-FIRMED THAT IN RESPONSE TO FOREIGN OFFICE QUERY, HE HAD RECEIVED A LETTER FROM TRANSPORT MINISTRY INDICAT-ING THAT LATTER WISHED TO POSTPONE FINAL CONCLUSION OF AGREEMENT FOR TIME BEING, ALTHOUGH THERE STILL NO OBJECTION IN PRINCIPLE TO AGREEMENT. HE CLAIMED TRANSPORT MINISTRY'S LETTER DID NOT CLEARLY SPELL OUT REASONS FOR REQUEST FOR DELAY AND THAT HE WOULD HAVE TO CLARIFY MATTER WITH TRANSPORT MINISTRY. HE HAD IMPRESSION, HOWEVER, THAT THERE MAY BE FORTH-COMING DISCUSSIONS BETWEEN ECAC, CANADA AND US ON CHARTERS AND HE THOUGHT THIS MIGHT BE ONE REASON FOR TRANSPORT MINISTRY'S REQUEST. FISCHER WONDERED IF RECENT US CAB PROPOSED AMENDMENTS TO US CHARTER RULES MIGHT REQUIRE SOME AMENDMENT OF MEMORANDUM, APART FROM QUESTION OF ANY AUSTRIAN CHANGES IN CHARTER REGULATIONS THAT MAY BE FORTHCOMING.
- 2. WE ASKED FISCHER WHAT GOA POSITION WAS WITH REGARD TO POSSIBILITY OF CONCLUDING AGREEMENT IN SHORTER LIMITED OFFICIAL USE

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TIME BY MEANS OF EXCHANGE OF LETTERS BETWEEEN AMBASSADOR

AND TRANSPORT MINISTER, AS HE HAD HIMSELF SUGGESTED.
FISCHER INDICATED THAT IT HAS NOW BEEN CONCLUDED THAT
AGREEMENT SIGNED
BY TRANSPORT MINISTER NO LONGER CONSIDERED FEASIBLE
ALTERNATIVE. FISCHER ADDED THAT IN FORMAL COURSE OF
EVENTS MEMORANDUM OF UNDERSTANDING AND TRANSLATION WOULD
HAVE BEEN READY FOR SUBMISSION TO COUNCIL
OF MINISTERS "IN A FEW WEEKS."

3. REQUEST DEPARTMENT'S VIEWS BEFORE TAKING ANY FURTHER ACTION HERE.HUMES

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